HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 1355

By Crider

A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize the owners, management, and employees of Milan Express.

WHEREAS, this General Assembly takes great pride in recognizing those estimable businesses in Tennessee that have served their customers well by establishing a tradition of quality service, genuine concern for their customers, and a commitment to their community; and

WHEREAS, one such exemplary business is Milan Express, a trucking company that has been meeting and even exceeding the transportation needs of its customers since 1969; and

WHEREAS, based in Milan, Tennessee, Milan Express was founded by Tommy W.

Ross with the simple mission "to be a quality carrier by providing dependable transportation service for our clients at a fair price and reasonable profit."; and

WHEREAS, the company made a profit in its first year, and since then, it has grown by leaps and bounds; and

WHEREAS, over the years, Milan Express has expanded its capabilities by purchasing all or part of the assets of several companies, including Roadmasters, T.F. Express, Porter Transfer, Ace Trucking, Senter Cartage, Hiller Truck Lines, WATCO, MAWS Warehouse, Transmobile, and West Brothers Transfer and Storage; and

WHEREAS, today, Milan Express remains a Ross family-owned business with a team of more than 1,850 associates and a revenue of more than \$168 million; and

WHEREAS, the future for Milan Express remains bright as the company prepares to continue its legacy of consistently providing customers with dependable, high-quality transportation services that are competitively priced; and

WHEREAS, it is highly appropriate that we pause to recognize such a wonderful family business, a business in which customer service has meant a great deal more than simply the

exchange of goods and services and is so richly deserving of this Body's recognition; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we hereby honor and commend the owners, management, and employees of Milan Express for their dedicated service and commitment to providing quality service to the citizens of the State of Tennessee.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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